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Menopause & hormones

What Can You Believe?

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Questions for your doctor, nurse or pharmacist

Are there other things I can use or do?

What are the benefits and risks?

How long should I use hormone therapy?

What is the lowest dose that will work for me?

What are the side effects?

If I want to stop hormones, how should I do that?

Notes:

When should I be checked for:

- Blood pressure
- Bone health
- Breast cancer
- Cervical cancer
- Cholesterol
- Colon cancer
- Dental health
- Diabetes
- Eye and Ear health
- Thyroid disease

Do you have any advice to help me:

- Eat right and control weight
- Be more active
- Stop smoking
- Sleep better
- Manage stress

REMEMBER

When using hormone therapy for menopause

- Use at the lowest dose that helps
- Use for the shortest time needed



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